



SI MONTCLAIR/INLAND VALLEY

is currently soliciting names of possible
Service Award nominees
to be recognized at our

2010 Prism Award Luncheon (to be scheduled in spring 2010)

Service Award categories include:

☆ **Advancing the Status of Women**—honors businesses/organizations/representatives that promote programs that enhance professional growth of women and exhibit a sense of social responsibility

☆ **Women Helping Women**—honors women of outstanding leadership who promote and encourage the empowerment of women

☆ **Woman of Distinction**—recognizes outstanding professional achievement or volunteerism in any of the Soroptimist areas of service: education, economic and social development, environment, health, human rights, and international goodwill & understanding

☆ **Prism Award**—honors those who have demonstrated effectiveness in professional and/or community arenas resulting in any of the following: greater empowerment (self determination) among women, youth, seniors, people with disabilities, and the disadvantaged; significant philanthropic activity in support of literacy, social issues, and the arts; encouragement of women to serve and succeed in non-traditional roles and development of resources, programs, and services to improve personal and professional growth in women

☆ **The Soroptimist Ruby Award** (*formerly Making A Difference for Women*)—acknowledges women who are working to improve the lives of women and girls through their personal or professional activities. Their efforts help to promote the issues that are important to the Soroptimist organization. Honorees are women who have worked in extraordinary ways to benefit women and girls.

☆ **Women's Opportunity Award**—is Soroptimist International of the Americas' (SIA) major project. The Award assists women who enter or return to the work force and who are obtaining additional skills and education to improve their employment status. Award recipients are heads of household or the source of financial support for their family. They are completing a degree or obtaining vocational skills training. They demonstrate maturity, responsibility, motivation, and financial need. Requires submission of a completed application and two reference letters. Applications are judged by a non-Soroptimist panel of judges. Club application deadline—December 1. Contact—Diane Wells, WOA Chair, 909-983-2878 to request an application form

☆ **Violet Richardson Award**—recognizes and honors young women between the ages of 14-17 who make the community and world a better place through volunteer efforts such as fighting drugs, crime, and violence, cleaning up the environment; and working to end discrimination and poverty. Named after the founder of Soroptimist. Requires submission of a completed application. Applications are judged by a non-Soroptimist panel of judges. Club application deadline—December 1. Contact—Natividad Vasquez-Silva, VRA Chair, 951-295-6599 or 909-983-2020, ext. 227, to request an application form

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***Do you know of someone in our community
who fits the criteria in one or more of these Service Award categories....***

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Please complete this form:

Your Name _____

Contact phone # _____ or e-mail _____

★Name of Nominee: _____

Occupation/title: _____ Business: _____

City of Residence: _____ City of business: _____

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Brief supporting information: _____

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Brief supporting information: _____

Return - No later than: November 20, 2009 - to:
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(or by FAX to 909-459-2540 - c/o Virginia Riley)

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